## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI SOUTHERN DIVISION

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## **ORDER**

Counsel for defendant (5) Kewan Rogers has filed a motion to continue the October 28, 2019 trial setting in the above-captioned case. (Doc. 168.) Defendant has signed a waiver of his right to s speedy trial. (Doc. 168-1.)

In any case in which a plea of not guilty is entered, the trial shall commence within 70 days from the filing of the information or indictment or the date of the defendant's first appearance, whichever comes last. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(c)(1) (the "Speedy Trial Act"). However, in computing the time within which trial of any offense must commence, any period of delay resulting from a continuance granted by the court at the request of a defendant or his or her counsel, which serves the ends of justice, shall be excluded from computing the time. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). The Speedy Trial Act requires that the court set forth its reasons for finding that the ends of justice served by the granting of such continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. Factors which this Court shall consider in determining whether to grant a continuance include whether the failure to grant such a continuance would be likely to result in a miscarriage of justice and deny reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.

Counsel for defendant states that additional time is needed to discuss plea negotiations with

defendant. Failure to grant the continuance would deny counsel for defendant the reasonable time

necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. The Court

finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interest of the

public and defendant in a speedy trial. Also, all defendants are charged in Count One with

conspiracy. In granting the motion for continuance, there is no violation of the rights of the co-

defendants to a speedy trial. United States v. Thomas, 774 F.2d 807 (7th Cir. 1985). It is therefore

**ORDERED** that the motion for continuance of the October 28, 2019 trial setting is granted;

and it is further

**ORDERED** the above-captioned case is reset for jury trial on the Joint Criminal Trial

Docket which commences on January 6, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the pretrial conference set in this matter on October 1, 2019 is hereby

cancelled; and it is further

**ORDERED** that, absent the most extraordinary circumstances, no further continuances

will be granted in this case; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the additional period of delay in commencing defendants' trial caused by

this continuance shall be excluded in computing the time within which this trial shall commence

under the Speedy Trial Act.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ David P. Rush

DAVID P. RUSH

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DATE: September 24, 2019

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